# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

# **Division of Spill Prevention and Response Prevention and Emergency Response Program**

### SITUATION REPORT

INCIDENT NAME: F/V Mar-Gun Grounding St. George Island **SITREP #**: 21

**SPILL NUMBER**: 09259906401 **LEDGER CODE**: 14251760

TIME/DATE OF SPILL: The US Coast Guard (USCG) Sector Anchorage notified ADEC at 6:15 AM on March 5, 2009 that the F/V Mar-Gun, a 112-foot trawl vessel had run aground with five (5) people on board and was taking on water.

TIME/DATE OF SITUATION REPORT: 2:00 PM on Monday, May 4, 2009

TIME/DATE OF THE NEXT REPORT: 2:00 PM on Monday, May 11, 2009

TYPE/AMOUNT OF PRODUCT SPILLED: An unknown amount of diesel fuel has been released. 18,371 gallons of fluids have been removed from the vessel.

LOCATION: North shoreline of St. George Island, at approximately Latitude 56° 36' N, Longitude 169° 36' W. St. George Island is one of the Pribilof Islands located in the Bering Sea approximately 250 miles northwest of Unalaska.

**CAUSE OF SPILL**: The cause of the grounding is being investigated by the USCG.

POTENTIAL RESPONSIBLE PARTY (PRP): Margun Enterprises, LLC.

**RESPONSE ACTION**: During the early morning outgoing tide on May 1, 2009 the starboard hull in the engine space developed a hole, which resulted in partial flooding of the engine room. Both engine room generators were turned off, but did receive some flooding damage. Salvors continue to dewater the engine space and work on the generator system while a box patch is completed.

Salvors were also able to reestablish the highline from the shoreline to the port side of the Mar-Gun to help stabilize the vessel, and to help with the transfer of equipment personnel to and from the Mar-Gun.

**RESOURCES AFFECTED**: There have been no reports of impacted wildlife at this time.

FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Continue vessel removal preparations on board the F/V Mar-Gun. Magone Marine Services has made a verbal request to remove a rock pinnacle, 15 feet seaward from the stern of the Mar-Gun. Salvors are requesting to use explosives to remove the pinnacle from the proposed vessel removal pathway. A written proposal will be submitted to the Unified Command and trustee agencies later today.

The Coast Guard and ADEC will continue to monitor vessel removal operations and provide support as needed.

WEATHER: Small craft advisories, winds north 25 knots, seas 7 feet, temperature highs in the upper 30's. Winds decreasing through the rest of the week turning variable 10 knots, seas 2 feet.

#### **UNIFIED COMMAND AND PERSONNEL:**

Incident Commander: Kristina O'Connor (PRP) F.O.S.C. : Captain Mark Hamilton (USCG)

S.O.S.C. : Gary Folley (ADEC)

L.O.S.C Sally Merculief (St. George Traditional Council)

## **FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Gary Folley, ADEC, 262-5210 ext 234 Weld Royal, ADEC Public Information Officer, 465-5009/321-5491 A Unified Command Web site has been established at: <a href="http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/mar-gun">http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/perp/mar-gun</a>

# AGENCY/STAKEHOLDER NOTIFICATION LIST

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USCG Sector Anchorage	U.S. Coast Guard Sector	Fax		271-6700	271-6751
	Anchorage, Response Incident				
	Management Division				
USEPA	Matt Carr	Fax		271-3616	271-3424
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Ounalashka Corp.	David Gregory	Fax		581-1276	581-1496
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City of St George		Fax		859-2205	859-2242
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